

Libyan Boeing 727 downed over Sinai Close to 100 die; ignored warning signs

Jerusalem Post Staff

A Libyan Boeing 727, intercepted by Israeli Air Force planes after it penetrated Israeli air space yesterday, crashed near the Suez Canal killing close to 100 passengers. Of the 13 persons still alive when rescuers arrived at the scene, three died in a Sinai field hospital and one en route to hospital in Beersheba. The remaining nine were in critical condition at Negev Central Hospital last night.

The Libyan Arab Airline plane was en route from Benghazi in northeast Libya to Cairo via Bahrain, according to an airline spokesman in Cairo. However, another airline source there said the plane's route was from Tripoli to Cairo and that the plane overflew Cairo airport. The airliner entered Israeli air space at 1.55 p.m. It penetrated Israeli territory to a depth of 80 kms. flying over military installations along the Suez Canal and a military airfield in the heart of Sinai. All attempts to establish radio contact with the civilian airliner failed.

Israeli planes sent to intercept the aircraft used internationally recognized signals to order the pilot to land. These were all ignored as were several warning shots fired above and below the craft.

After 20 minutes of intensive efforts to get the plane to land, Air Force planes shot at the aircraft, which crashed-landed about 20 kms. from the Suez Canal.

The Israeli Air Force spokesman yesterday issued the following communiqué:

Today at 13:55 hours a Libyan Boeing 727 aircraft entered Sinai air space. The aircraft overflew I.D.F. deployments along the Suez Canal and a military airfield in Sinai, penetrating 80 km. into Israeli-controlled territory.

Attempts were made to contact the aircraft, but it did not respond to the signals.

Israeli Air Force planes took off and approached the aircraft, attempting it to land, in accordance with international procedures.

When the aircraft did not comply with instructions and to warning

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Israelis hit N. Lebanon terror bases

40 SABOTEURS BELIEVED KILLED; 8 ISRAELIS HURT

By HURSH GOODMAN, Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Israel paratroops and naval commandos early yesterday morning attacked seven terrorist camps in two main concentrations along the Lebanese shoreline, 18 to 20 kms. from the Syrian border, and several kms. from Tripoli. Eight Israeli soldiers were wounded in the raids, all but two of them slightly. All the wounded were reported to be out of danger last night. At least 40 terrorists were killed, and installations at the seven camps were completely destroyed. One prisoner — a Turkish volunteer to the Fatah organization — was captured, and is currently being interrogated.

A senior staff officer said yesterday afternoon that the raids were a direct result of Lebanese inaction in curbing terrorist activities on its soil. Despite the fact that the Lebanese border with Israel has been closed for several months, he said, almost all terrorist actions against Israeli interests abroad emanate from Lebanese soil, where terrorists have organized themselves inside refugee camps — which possess a "quasi-sovereign status" — operate in complete freedom. (See below.)

By staging the raids yesterday, Israel may have prevented, at least for a time, several planned terrorist actions on Israeli property and personnel abroad. There are Japanese, Chinese, Turkish and Syrian volunteers being trained at the camps hit yesterday. It is not clear whether there were any foreign volunteers among the terrorists killed.

The two concentrations were situated at Nahar Al-Barad and Al-Badawi north of Tripoli. All the camps were situated in or around seven camps, and troops were given explicit instructions not to harm civilians or damage civilian

property. Chief Paratroop and Infantry Officer, Tst-Ahuf Shmueli, told correspondents yesterday that no civilians were injured, and as far as could be ascertained no civilian property was damaged. The decision to use ground forces in the attacks, as opposed to aircraft as has been the case up to now, was understood to have been taken to avoid hitting civilian concentrations.

The main camp, attacked was at Nahar Al-Barad, 11 kms. north of Tripoli and not far from the Tripoli airfield. The base, run by Fatah, trained foreign recruits for terrorist acts in their own countries, or against Israeli interests in their countries.

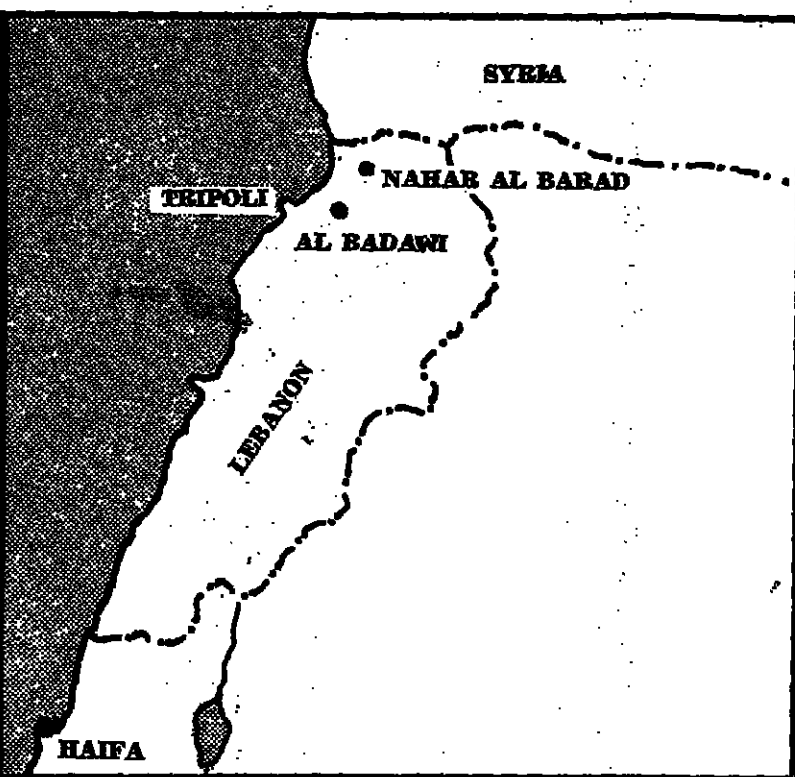
It was from here that the booby-trapped and explosive-filled car which exploded at the Jerusalem Mahane Yehuda market in 1968 (killing 12 and injuring another 58 civilians) was prepared by Ibrahim Abu Mijal.

A second base in the area to be attacked was at Benhar, el-Badr which belongs to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. It was the training camp of the "Fatah" "guerrilla" group, such as the three-man Japanese squad responsible for the Lod Airport massacre in May 1972, were trained.

A third base at Nahar Al-Barad was also attacked, as was the regional command of the Fatah at Al-Badawi, two kms. east of Tripoli, and a smaller base where Fatah gave advanced courses in sabotage to terrorists due to be dispatched for operations in Europe.

Also at Al-Badawi, the Israeli type-attack in Haifa, was released

Members of the strike force going into Lebanon at a rendezvous with missile boats, shortly before leaving for yesterday's operation.



Overseas terror all planned in Lebanon Sanctuary and training ground

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Lebanon is not only a sanctuary for some 5,000 terrorists, but is also the main center for all the various branches of the terrorist movement and from where operations are planned and prepared against Israeli interests abroad.

Yesterday, it was learned that a group of terrorists, trained and organized in Lebanon, was arrested in Greece shortly before embarking on a Greek liner with the intention of carrying out a massacre at Haifa port. The gang was uncovered in December 1972 and its members were returned to Lebanon, where they enjoy total freedom.

In January, a second group, uncovered in Cyprus, which also intended executing an "Okamoto" type-attack in Haifa, was released

and sent back to Lebanon. The three Arab terrorists arrested in Vienna and another three on the Austro-Italian border who were under orders to attack the absorption camp for Soviet immigrants near Vienna had also been trained in Lebanon.

In October 1972, 14 Turkish terrorists were arrested off the Turkish coast while intending to land and commit acts of sabotage there. They too had been trained in Lebanon. A group which had planned to place an explosives-laden car outside an Israeli embassy in a European capital in the near future, were trained at one of the bases attacked yesterday.

Lebanon has, in fact, become the main center for terrorists operating against Israel abroad. It was in Lebanon that Kozo Okamoto and two other Japanese, responsible for the death of 26 Puerto Rican pilgrims at Lod Airport in May 1972, were trained — as were several of the terrorists who perpetrated the Munich massacre in September last year of 11 Israeli Olympic sportsmen.

The terrorists who managed to smuggle a booby-trapped gramophone aboard an El Al airliner in August 1972 had received their training in Lebanon, and the Arab terrorists caught with arms and ammunition in Amsterdam, Rome and London all set out from Lebanon, where they were trained and armed. The terrorists who executed the attack on the Israeli embassy in Bangkok in December 1972 had also originated from Lebanon.

Our Beersheba correspondent reports: Foreign Minister Abba Eban said yesterday the raid on terrorist bases in Northern Lebanon was needed "to prevent a second Munich or an attack like that in Bangkok."

Lebanese plaint to U.N.

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Lebanon's Prime Minister Sa'eb Salam said yesterday that his country's delegation at the U.N. has been instructed to submit a complaint to the Security Council on Israel's raid. He did not say whether the delegation would ask for a debate.

Speaking before Parliament, Salam said that the raid had resulted in a large number of casualties. He noted that no final report on the number of casualties had been issued by last night. He said that people were still buried under the rubble of installations demolished by the Israelis.

Late reports coming from Beirut said last night that the number of those killed was estimated at 80 with "tens of wounded."

The terrorists themselves said that 18 persons were killed and several were wounded. Broadcasting their version of the Israeli attack over their Cairo-based radio, the terrorists said that the casualties occurred during face-to-face fighting at the two camps.

The terrorists said that some 350 Israeli soldiers took part in the operation, adding that the attack on the Badawi camp was carried out by airborne soldiers while the raid on al-Barad was launched by naval commandos.

The terrorists claimed that the Israeli force was repelled by "Palestinian militia" at the two camps. The operation which was planned to last five to 15 minutes took the Israeli force two and half hours before they could withdraw," the terrorists said.

News agency reports said the Israeli attack began at about 1 a.m. with an artillery barrage from two Israeli warships lying off the north Lebanese city of Tripoli. At about the same time, Israeli helicopters flew in from the sea to attack the

Rogers: Step-by-step line for M.E. peace

WASHINGTON — U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers said yesterday that, while the deep differences between the Israel and the Arab sides "are too wide to be immediately bridged," the U.S. hoped that patient step-by-step diplomacy would move toward reinforcing the Middle East cease-fire, result in partial Israeli withdrawal separating the military forces of the two sides, and open the Suez Canal to international commerce.

Such a move, he said "must be linked to Security Council resolution 242 and it could provide the needed impetus for negotiations leading toward a final, overall settlement based on that resolution." (AP, UPI)

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Cost to airline: IL 3.5m. El Al supervisors end three-day strike

By GEORGE LEONOF, Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent
El Al's 112 technical supervisors returned to work yesterday evening — by court order — ending a three-day strike that cost the national air carrier an estimated IL 3.5m. The strikers reported for work at Lod Airport shortly after 5 p.m., too late for any of El Al's 12 grounded aircraft to resume operations.

The bulk of the 1,150 El Al fares booked to leave Israel yesterday left by seven foreign airlines before midnight last night — six of them scheduled flights and one charter. The remainder will take off this morning on what is expected to be the last foreign flight.

El Al returns to normal schedule today with eight flights to the U.S. and Europe. Four chartered aircraft which arrived yesterday will be returned.

The five committeemen of the striking technical supervisors, appearing voluntarily before the Tel Aviv Labour Court at 8.40 a.m., only minutes after police told the men in order to subpoena them.

The session was adjourned until the afternoon after the strikers' counsel, Yosef Shoham, claimed the five men could no longer order the maintenance supervisors back to work since the Histadrut had withdrawn its recognition of them as representatives of the strikers.

During the recess, the committeemen met with Histadrut officials. When the session resumed, Mr. Shoham said the five men were prepared to issue the back-to-work instructions.

The return to work was unconditional, but the committee stressed it was acting under court orders.

The Histadrut Central Committee decided yesterday that negotiations must resume between the technical supervisors and El Al management and be concluded within two weeks. In an important further ruling, the Histadrut said that the two sides must agree on negotiating procedures which will prevent interruption of the airline's operations in future. The Central Committee said a workers' roof organization must be set up representing all 4,000 El Al personnel in Israel.

(Both the Government and El Al have complained that the existence of 10 separate works committees representing the various departments in El Al resulted in the juggling with each other in demanding better working conditions, which led to an almost endless chain of strikes since last year.)

The Central Committee's decisions were welcomed last night by Transport Minister Shimon Peres. He said the decisions meet the Government's demands for the creation of conditions permitting the resumption of El Al's normal operations.

Later in the day, during a visit to Lod, Mr. Peres said there had been a complete identity of views between the Government and the Histadrut on the need for a long-range settlement that would permit El Al's uninterrupted functioning.

Replying to a question on whether the Government would pursue its contempt-of-court action against the strikers' committee for their failure to appear at four previously scheduled hearings, Mr. Peres said the matter was being studied by the Attorney-General.

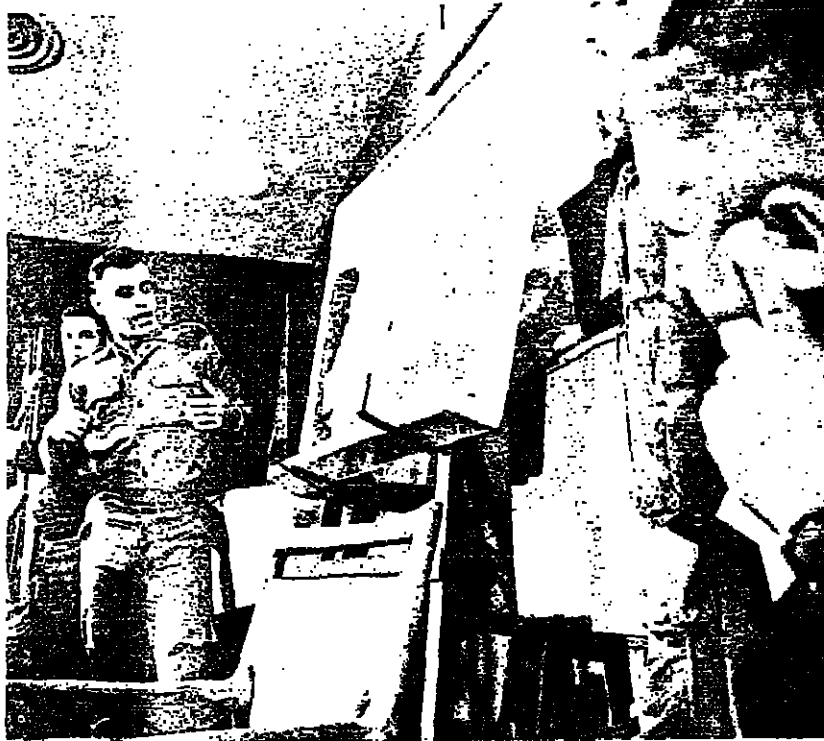
The back-to-work orders came too late to save some 4,000 cartons full of flowers that bloomed and faded in the airport's Agreco warehouse waiting for a flight to Europe which never came. The growers kept sending the valuable but short-lived flowers to Lod during the strike, on the chance they might still be flown out in time, but to no avail. The flowers were generally unsuccessful. By yesterday morning some 3,000 cartons had been flown out aboard three specially chartered planes; however, these left 10 hours late and it was not known what the flowers looked like when they reached Europe.

Another plane, a super DC-8 capable of carrying 43 tons, was being loaded throughout the day yesterday for a midnight takeoff. But meanwhile the 4,000 cartons of faded blooms were making their way by truck to a garbage dump outside Rosh Ha'ayin, where they were sprayed with petrol and burned.

The Flower Growers Council yesterday morning instructed its legal counsel to sue the strikers' committee for IL 800,000 damages. It held them responsible for the suspension of El Al flights since last Sunday afternoon.

In another strike-related development, a group of immigrants from the Soviet Union reached Lod early yesterday by chartered plane after being held up in Vienna for 48 hours. Sunday night there had seemed to be a chance the strikers would allow a plane to be sent empty to Vienna to pick up the group, but when this did not materialize El Al chartered a plane in Europe to fly them to Israel.

Early yesterday morning, the 400 El Al workers requested to go on leave pending resumption of operations — in order to reduce El Al's losses — ignored the request and reported for work as usual.



Rav-Seron (Major) Yitzhak, commander of one of the paratroop units which raided terrorist bases in Lebanon yesterday, seen explaining the target to newsmen. The diagram shows an Unawa store, used by the terrorists as a naval supply depot.

Raid in Lebanon

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troops demolished a base used by the P.F.L.P. which provided training facilities for Japanese and Chinese terrorists, and used by the Front as a prison. The fourth base at Al-Badawi was used as a depot for arms and explosives, and served as a Fatah office.

The attacks on all seven bases were tightly coordinated, and Tat-Aluf Shaked said that one of the main reasons for the limited opposition encountered and for the total success of the operation could be attributed to two factors: surprise and the high standard of the soldiers who took part in the raids.

Both the paratroops and the naval commandos reached their destinations from the sea under cover of darkness. After landing in rubber dinghies the men had to reach their objectives by marching through rugged terrain. Those groups which reached their destinations early lay in waiting until all men were in position, so that the entire operation could be coordinated.

7-8 MINUTES

Individual attacks on each of the seven bases lasted no longer than seven or eight minutes. The casualty rate among the terrorists was thought to be very high. In one camp in the north 13 terrorists out of 14 on the base at the time were killed. The lone survivor was captured. After all opposition had been neutralized the soldiers methodically demolished all buildings in the camps, having first removed documents and other equipment of military value.

The raiding parties set out from Haifa on Tuesday afternoon and were brought to the landing zones by Sassa-class missile boats. The 160 nautical-mile journey took several hours.

HELICOPTERS

The paratroops were evacuated from the area by helicopter, while the frogmen returned with the rubber dinghies to the missile boats and sailed back to Haifa. In Haifa, all troops were greeted by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf David Elazar.

Yesterday's raid was the deepest ever carried out by Israeli ground troops in Lebanon. One group destroyed a base just eight kms. from the Syrian border — some 200 kms. from Israel. Despite the fact that the troops were on Lebanese soil for about four hours, at no stage did the Lebanese intervene. One party of frogmen landed on the beach under the bright lights of a petrol station near Tripoli. They thought they had been seen by several civilians filling up their cars, but apparently these thought they were Lebanese units on training exercises and failed to report the landing.

A senior Israeli officer yesterday justified the raids saying that they were part and parcel of Israel's war against terrorism abroad. The fact that Lebanon had closed its borders to terrorist activity against Israel did not absolve the country from responsibility for allowing the terrorists to operate their main centres there, he added. "We expect Lebanon to act against the terrorists planning foreign operations on its soil with the same determination and success they acted against terrorists operating against Israel," he said.

The officer stressed that there are many more camps catering to the Fatah which were not attacked — mainly in southern and central Lebanon, and around Beirut. He also estimated that until such time as the terrorists are controlled by Lebanon and all actions against Israel, or Israeli interests abroad cease, the fight against terrorism will continue.

Another Druse arrested in spy ring case

KIRYAT SHMONA. — Security forces and Safad District Police yesterday arrested another Druse, from Majdal Shams, in connection with a spy and sabotage ring uncovered recently in the Golan Heights.

This brings to 35 the number of suspects arrested in Druse villages on the Heights since the network was uncovered at the end of last month. (Two of the suspects are Christian Arabs.) (Itim)

Free trade with 'areas' even after peace — Bar-Lev

Israel and the administered areas comprise an integral economic unit and Israel is determined to maintain free trade with the areas even after peace is reached in the Middle East, Commerce and Industry Minister Haim Bar-Lev said yesterday, on a visit to Hebron.

Mr. Bar-Lev was speaking to town notables at a reception given in his honour by Mayor Sheikh Mohammed Ali Ja'abari in City Hall. It was Mr. Bar-Lev's first official visit to Hebron in his capacity as Minister of Commerce and Industry.

Sheikh Ja'abari and members of the local Chamber of Commerce raised a series of complaints concerning hikes in taxes and customs duties. They also noted that the prices of lamb, rice and cement had risen drastically and were scarcely available at all. Mr. Bar-Lev replied that price rises especially in the food commodities mentioned — were worldwide and were not a function of Israel's economic policies. (Itim)

Cancer association raises IL1,528,000

TEL AVIV. — The Israel Cancer Association's 1972 "Knock on Every Door" campaign raised IL1,528,000. This was announced yesterday by Labour Minister Yosef Almog, who headed the campaign. The campaign goal had been IL1.6m.

At a day-long meeting of the society yesterday, Dov Ben-Meir, Director-General, said the 1973 budget was IL5,800,000 (including IL1,520,000 for development projects), as compared to IL3.5m. in 1972. The difference between this sum and the campaign total will be raised through donations and grants. Mr. Ben-Meir said.

AMBASSADOR. — John Scall handed U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim a cheque for \$1m. on Tuesday as he presented his credentials as the new U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations. The money, for the U.N. Fund for Drug Abuse Control, raising the American contribution to the fund to \$24m.

Libyan plane in Sinai

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shots it was intercepted by Israeli planes. The damaged aircraft landed within the Sinai area about 20 km. from the Suez Canal and crashed.

Air France in Paris said the French captain of aircraft and four other French crew members aboard were killed in the crash. The crew were on detachment from Air France to the Libyan airline. Tripoli radio said the plane also had two Lebanese and two Libyan crew members.

FERRYING WOUNDED

Late last night military helicopters were still ferrying wounded and dead to hospitals in Sinai and Beersheba. Rescue workers worked without pause to probe the wreckage and extricate survivors.

Military helicopters, ferrying wounded and dead to hospitals in Sinai and Beersheba, were held up for two hours by a severe dust storm. Five army ambulances arrived at Neger Central Hospital between 8 and 9 p.m.

The nine survivors at Beersheba's hospital had suffered severe burns and fractures. They are said to include two women, and one crew member.

Soldiers and police were keeping close guard on the hospital.

The Air Force is investigating the incident, and attempting to ascertain why the three-man crew refused to obey instructions to land. Military circles last night stressed that the pilot could have been in no doubt that he was being ordered to land. "We tried every possible method," a military source said, "all of which were ignored."

TERROR THREATS

The decision to down the plane, it is thought, was probably taken in the light of recent terrorist threats to use a civilian aircraft in a bombing raid on Israeli urban concentrations. Six weeks ago, reports that terrorists intended to crash an explosive-laden Boeing-707 into the heart of Tel Aviv were published abroad, and it is not impossible that the Libyan airliner

had been stolen during this time. There are 150,000 cars in the Tel Aviv area.

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TEL AVIV. — A special squad has been formed to deal with the rise in car radio piracy during the six weeks since the last such squad was formed. 164 stolen radios have been caught, and 117 stolen cars, Sgan-Nitzav Amos told a press conference Tuesday.

S/N Aricha said that 300 had been stolen during this time. There are 150,000 cars in the Tel Aviv area.

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TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party is about to choose its candidate for the presidency, party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin told political reporters here yesterday.

Mr. Yadin said a joint meeting of the party Leadership Bureau and the Knesset faction executive would consider the matter "very soon," but the final vote would be left to the party Central Committee. Prior to the vote the party will consult with Mapam, its Alignment partner, and contact other parliamentary factions, to ensure the widest possible support for the election of Israel's fourth president.

Mr. Yadin said two candidates have already been proposed by party members, and named one of them as Supreme Court Justice

Elizahy Mammy. But, he added, other candidates might still be considered.

Mr. Yadin reiterated that a party split hoped that Prime Minister Meir would accept the collective will of the party and head Alignment Knesset list, despite a declared refusal.

He said the appointment of a raham Ofer, M.K., one of the leading opponents of Mrs. Meir's policies, as head of the party's election campaign did not indicate that party had already given up her for her change of mind. He saw nothing amiss in Mr. Ofer being the one to ask for a renewed mandate for a premier whose policies he so intensely opposed, and Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, whom he is an open opponent.

ALLON TELLS KNESSET: Religious, but not political status for Jordan in Jerusalem

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Deputy Premier Yigal Alon assured the Knesset yesterday that neither he nor anybody else in the Cabinet had ever cast the slightest shadow of doubt on Israel's sovereignty over every nook and cranny of united Jerusalem.

He was replying to a motion for the agenda by Gahal leader Menahem Begin about his reported statements in Jerusalem — which the Deputy Premier's bureau had promptly denied. The statements, as featured this month in one Tel Aviv paper, held that Mr. Alon favoured Jordanian sovereignty over the Temple Mount, in a future settlement.

Mr. Begin's motion was defeated by 36 coalition votes against 21 from Gahal and the Free Centre. There were four abstentions from Aguda, Poalei Aguda and Ha'olam Hazeh.

When peace comes, Mr. Alon said, a religious solution will have to be found for the Moslem holy places in Jerusalem. Jordan held East Jerusalem — by token of aggression, and not through international law or historic rights — but since Israel took East Jerusalem from Jordan it is only natural that Israel will have to seek a solution to the problem of the Moslem holy places through Jordan.

SOLE SOLUTION
Mr. Alon recalled that in his recent political talks in Washington he explained that the sole solution he sought for Arab or Moslem claims to Jerusalem was a religious solution. When Premier Golda Meir gave a press conference in Rome after her Vatican meeting, he said, she also insisted that Israel would be happy to let the various faiths manage their own holy places.

Anyone seeking to solve the problem of Jerusalem without permanent legal safeguards for the various faiths was making a grave political error which could well harm Israel's own status in Jerusalem, instead of enhancing it.

Mr. Alon wondered why Mr. Begin had raised no queries during the past five or six years, when other Cabinet ministers made similar and even more far-reaching statements.

He hit back hard at Mr. Begin for having suggested a relatively minimalist version of Jerusalem's municipal boundaries in 1967, compared to what Mr. Alon had suggested. He also asked why Mr. Begin had not resigned from the Government, on three occasions, when it decided to use force to expel Jewish would-be settlers from various parts of the West Bank.

Mr. Alon said in a reproachful tone that Mr. Begin ought not to

THE WEATHER

Forecast: In north and central Israel, partly cloudy to cloudy with chance of local showers. Cloudy with intermittent showers in the south, with risk of flooding in the valleys.
Weather synopsis: A shallow low over the east Mediterranean is moving eastwards.

	Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
	Humidity	Min.-Max.	forecast
Jerusalem	27	12-22	10-16
Golan	44	10-17	8-14
Nahariya	4	5-26	8-21
Safed	45	9-17	9-15
Haifa	72	12-27	12-21
Tiberias	65	14-19	12-20
Nazareth	11	12-22	11-17
Afula	50	11-26	10-20
Shomron	25	14-24	12-18
Tel Aviv	35	15-23	12-21
Lod	39	14-23	10-20
Jericho	48	17-24	15-23
Gaza	32	16-23	12-21
Beersheba	16	16-26	10-20
Eilat	49	21-27	17-25
Ramat	59	21-28	19-26

Social and Personal

Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu held a reception in the Knesset yesterday for delegates to a congress of French and Israeli paratroops from World War Two. Among the delegates are 120 Frenchmen, including six officers currently serving in the French armed forces. Also attending the ceremony was French Ambassador Francis Hure. The visiting Frenchmen also visited Yad Vashem yesterday.

Absorption Minister Nathan Peled yesterday gave a luncheon for the acting U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Owen Zurbellen.

A delegation of French Jews headed by Chief Rabbi Jacob Kaplan and Rabbi J. Amar of Bordeaux, France, yesterday attended the dedication of a campus extension at Bar-Ilan University in Ramat Gan, in honour of Elad and Suza Ben-Zion of Bordeaux.

Dr. Yehuda Greenberg will lecture on "Insurance Problems in Israel" at 1.15 p.m. today at the weekly meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at the Z.O.A. House.

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem announces two lectures to be given today, February 22, 1973, in memory of the late Prof. Ellisav Goldschmidt, Dr. Avraham Adam of the Sheba Health Centre, Tel Hashomer, will lecture on "Comments on the Distribution of Some Genes Among Jews," and Prof. Edward Garber of the Department of Biology, University of Chicago, will lecture on "Enzymes as Genetic and Taxonomic Tools in Aspergillus and Phaeolus" in Hall B, Mazer Building, at 8.15 p.m. The chair will be taken by Prof. Daniel Zohary.

Prof. M. Feldman of the Department of Cell Biology at the Weizmann Institute of Science will lecture on "T-cell Receptors for Membrane Antigens: An Approach Towards Bone Marrow Transplantation," tomorrow, February 23, 1973, at 10 a.m. in Hall Heh, ground floor, of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School, Ein Karem, Jerusalem.

Prof. Selo Gronowitz of the Division of Organic Chemistry in the Chemical Centre of the University of Lund, Sweden, will lecture on "Recent Work on Borazorpyridines" tomorrow, Friday, February 23, 1973, at 10.30 a.m. in Hall C, The Hebrew University School of Pharmacy Building, Ein Karem, Jerusalem.

MARRIAGE

ZADIK-LIEBMAN. — Miss Edna Zadik, daughter of the late Shimon Zadik and Frieda Fuks, to Mr. Robert (Reuven) Liebman, son of the late Isaac Liebman and Mrs. Nettie Liebman of New York City, in Jerusalem, February 20, 1973.

DEPARTURES

Rabbi Mordechai Kirschblum, associate chairman of the Jewish Agency Immigration and Absorption Department, for Vienna, to look after Russian immigrants in the transit camp there.

Joel Bruck, secretary-general of the World Federation of Christian Labour Unions, after a five-day visit as guest of the Histadrut.

A CRISIS of long duration in the Kiryat Shmona Local Council ended this week with the election of Avraham Alon as Council chairman by the eight Alignment members and the lone N.R.P. member, Gahal and Poalei Aguda. Israel Council members did not take part, and declined an offer to join a wall-to-wall coalition.

There's water in those hills

During the 1948 siege, Prof. Leo Picard suggested drilling for water in Jerusalem. It took 25 years, but local wells now are expected to fill half of the Capital's needs within a decade. Abraham Rabinovich reports on the realization of Prof. Picard's dream in tomorrow's

POST MAGAZINE

Also in the 48-page Magazine:

- Preview of Mrs. Meir's U.S. trip, from our Washington correspondent, and an interview with Minister Israel Gali.
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Two women killed by hit-run cars 3rd woman dies after fire at old-age home

One woman was killed and another injured in two separate hit-and-run incidents on Tuesday. Both drivers were still at large as of last night.

The body of Rivka Reichenbach, of Azor, was found Tuesday morning at the side of the road near her home town outside Tel Aviv. Police said there were signs the body, which had been run over, was dragged to the roadside, probably by the person who hit her. Police were seeking the driver.

Erna Kemeny, 71, of Bnei Brak, was hit and injured by a truck Tuesday evening while crossing Rehov Abba Hillel Silver. The truck driver left the scene without offering aid and did not report the accident. Mrs. Kemeny was taken to Tel Hashomer (Sheba) Hospital.

HAIFA. — The third of four women who were burned when a kerosene heater exploded in their room in a Tivon old people's home two weeks ago died of her injuries yesterday in Rambam Hospital here.

The four women, who could not move unaided, were trapped in their room at the Kalanit home for the aged when the heater exploded early in the morning on February 9. Haya Pudik, 87, died in the fire; but the three other women were pulled out alive and sent to Rambam Hospital.

One of them, Bertha Weissman, 85, died a week ago. Sanyora Markus, 90, died yesterday. The fourth woman, Matilda Alkobi, 84, is still in hospital. Her condition is fair. One of the owners of the home, Meir Janowitz, 57, and his son Raoul, 27, have been charged in the deaths. Police said the heater was not in good working condition. They have been released on bail.

Hope seen in engineers' wage dispute Missile boat launching slight miffs many

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Engineers and Technicians Unions told Histadrut Deputy Secretary-General Yeruhim Meshel last night they would call off their strike scheduled for next Monday if the Treasury agreed to accept Mr. Meshel's arbitration in their months-old wage dispute.

The development is seen in Histadrut circles as indicating there is tacit agreement between Mr. Meshel and the engineers on the new wage scale to be set up for the profession. But the engineers reportedly fear the Civil Service Commission may torpedo the agreement by refusing to accept the schedule. The Histadrut Central Committee already announced a week ago that it would accept whatever figures Mr. Meshel decides on.

Mr. Meshel is expected to announce his ruling in a few days. It is believed to be based on a basic pay scale ranging from IL600 a month in the lowest grade to IL1,650 in the highest. Basic pay is just over half a worker's gross pay, which includes Cost-of-Living allowance and other increments.)

HAIFA. — The City Council Executive has made public its dismay at having been excluded from the launching of the Navy's new missile boat, INS Reshet, at the Israel Shipyards on Monday.

The only representative of the City Mayor Meir personally invited was Mayor Moshe Weissman, but as he is indisposed, no official delegates of the Municipal Council or the people of Haifa — who have "adopted" the Navy — attended the ceremony.

Acting Mayor Yeruhim Zelsel said the snub to Haifa was insulting.

The Haifa Journalists Association boycotted the launching in protest against the hasty manner in which its members had been invited at the last minute. The Ratings Divisions of the Seamen's Union has also protested at not being invited.

34 FAMILIES living in substandard conditions in the "admission" quarters of Jerusalem have been moved in recent weeks to new apartments on Stern Street, Kiryat Yovel, by Pruzot, the Government Municipality housing company.

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LAOTIAN TRUCE ACCORD SIGNED

VIENTIANE (Reuters). — The Lao-tian Government and the pro-Communist Pathet Lao signed a cease-fire agreement yesterday, ending nearly 20 years of factional fighting and political turmoil in this landlocked kingdom.

It calls for a new coalition government to be formed within 30 days of the truce, which comes into force at noon today (0500 GMT). (7 a.m. Israel time). All foreign forces must withdraw within 90 days of the cease-fire and all Lao-tian troops in the conflict will remain in place.

Bombs destroy U.S. servicemen's cars in Athens

ATHENS (AP). — Bombs destroyed two cars belonging to American servicemen early yesterday. They were presumably set off by opponents to the army-backed Greek government.

An American source said that one of the bombs completely destroyed a car owned by a U.S. Air Force enlisted man and the other damaged a car belonging to a U.S. navy petty officer now at sea with the 6th Fleet. No one was injured by the blasts.

The explosions were the latest in a series designed to instill fear in the Athens-based American military community. Opponents of the Athens government feel the Nixon administration is responsible for keeping it in power since the 1967 army coup which seized power.

The explosions followed the conviction on Tuesday of a retired Greek air force colonel and an Athens physician for setting off 21 explosions in and around the Greek capital.

Soviets return secret papers on manoeuvres to Bonn

BONN (AP). — Chancellor Willy Brandt's Government yesterday clamped strict security wraps on a major scandal involving the leak of secret papers on the Winter 1973 NATO winter manoeuvres to the Soviet Embassy in Bonn.

Chief Government spokesman Ruediger von Weizsäcker told a news conference the affair is being investigated by the Federal Attorney-General's Office in Karlsruhe and refused to comment any further.

A spokesman in Karlsruhe said no official comment is expected to be made before the end of the week. Newspaper reports and informed sources yesterday said the Soviet Embassy in Bonn received secret documents on Winter 1973 from an unknown source.

The Embassy completely returned the material to the Bonn Foreign Ministry on February 9, presumably after carefully scrutinizing it.

While the West German Defence, Foreign and Interior Ministries contributed to the mystery by denying any of their officials were responsible for the leak, Government as well as diplomatic sources were unable or unwilling to say how serious the security mishap could be.

This will leave the Pathet Lao in effective control of some two-thirds of the country. But the government holds most of the heavily settled areas of the 236,000 square kms. kingdom, whose total population is estimated at 2,900,000.

The agreement stipulated a halt to U.S. bombing, which observers took to mean an end to American raids on the Ho Chi Minh trail through southern Laos — the main North Vietnamese supply route to South Vietnam and Cambodia — as well as bombing in support of Lao-tian Government forces.

(In Washington, Secretary of State William Rogers said the U.S. will stop bombing Laos when the peace agreement goes into effect today. He told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that the Lao-tian settlement raised hopes of a settlement of the Cambodian situation.)

The new provisional government, under a neutral Prime Minister, will consist of eight Pathet Lao representatives and the same number drawn from the elements making up the present neutralist and right-wing government.

It was not immediately clear if Prince Souvanna Phouma would retain the premiership. At one stage during the peace bargaining the Pathet Lao refused to accept him as head of government.

The accord also provided for the creation of a council of national union, with the same half Pathet Lao membership, to assist the government and supervise general elections at a date yet to be fixed.

The government will have its headquarters in the administrative capital of Vientiane and the council in the royal capital of Luang Prabang. Both will be declared neutral territories.

The cease-fire leaves neighbouring Cambodia as the only Indochina country without an official truce.

Heavy fighting erupted yesterday 21 kms. south of the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh on Highway 2 shortly before dawn as Communist forces overran at least three government positions just outside the small town of Siem Reap. Nearly 200 government troops were killed or captured and 50 of the 100 who retreated were wounded seriously.

Military sources called the fighting around Siem Reap and further south on Highway 2 the "heaviest combat of the current Khmer Rouge (Communist) offensive."

Vatican confirms collaboration with Communists

VATICAN CITY (AP). — The Vatican yesterday confirmed reports carried by a Rome Communist-oriented newspaper that the Holy See and the Italian Communist party collaborated secretly to initiate peace talks on Vietnam as early as 1955.

The newspaper, "Paese Sera," said that Pope Paul VI had sent a memorandum to North Vietnam through Enrico Berlinguer, now Italian Communist party secretary, in 1966. It said another Communist deputy obtained the full list of U.S. prisoners of war in 1970.

Confirming the reports, Vatican spokesman Federico Alessandrini said with the aim of achieving the "desired contacts between all sides involved in the Vietnam conflict, the Holy See has resorted to every channel."



Laotian Interior Minister Pheng Phongsavan, left, and Phoumi Vongvichit, secretary-general of the Pathet Lao's political arm, sign cease-fire accord in Vientiane yesterday. (AP radiophoto)

Rogers on rebuilding No U.S. aid to Vietnam without Congress support

WASHINGTON (AP). — Secretary of State William Rogers yesterday pledged the U.S. would not commit itself to an Indochina reconstruction programme without the full support of Congress. But he refused to rule out the diversion of funds from other programmes for the assistance.

Mr. Rogers' statement was in response to a question by Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman J. William Fulbright, who sought assurances that Congress will be consulted fully on the aid question.

Mr. Rogers repeated earlier statements that getting Congressional approvals will be no easy task, but he said he expects Congress "will act responsibly" in achieving this important element to stabilizing Indochina.

The question of diversion of funds from other programmes to pay for

the Vietnam reconstruction was raised by Fulbright — and was disregarded by the Secretary as unworthy of comment.

However, Senator Clifford Case, (Republican, New Jersey), brought the matter up and asked for a flat denial that such a tactic is under consideration or will be used.

Mr. Rogers would not deny the possibility of diverting funds, but he said the administration is not "doing anything surreptitiously." The aid programme would not be carried out "in a way that would surprise Congress," he said.

When Case threatened to propose legislation to prohibit the diversion of funds to the aid programme, Mr. Rogers said, "I am not now prepared to say that if money were available and it was appropriate to do it after full Congressional consultation, we wouldn't use that money."

Gold leaps record \$2.80 an oz.

LONDON (UPI). — Gold leaped more than \$2 an ounce yesterday from Tuesday's closing price, to reach \$79.30 an ounce, another all-time record high. Dealers said there were more records to come.

On European money markets the U.S. dollar still steady after the turmoil which led to its 10 per cent devaluation 13 days ago, was

marginally weaker in trading against other currencies.

But there was nothing weak about gold. The official morning price on London's free market was set at \$38.50 per ounce — \$2.125 above Tuesday night's rate, more than \$10 above the price on devaluation day and \$26.28 above the official U.S. dollar price.

In trading after the price was fixed, gold went another 20 cents higher. Dealers said the "psychological barrier" of \$80 an ounce probably would be broken this week.

Gold has set an all-time record at nearly every official fixing since devaluation.

On the currency exchanges, the pound sterling and the West German mark showed strength against the dollar.

In the British currency's case, its power baffled the dealers trading it. "There is no logical reason," one dealer said. He noted that "the market is very unstable."

The pound opened at \$2.449, a full cent higher than Tuesday's \$2.4385 close. At one point in trading it touched a high of \$2.4515.

In West Germany, the dollar opened at around its ceiling price in quiet trading. The median rate was 2.9655, one-tenth of a point below the new 2.9656 ceiling set by devaluation. It closed at the ceiling price on Tuesday.

West German dealers said the market was very quiet and the Bundesbank appeared to have done nothing to hold the dollar at its ceiling.

Traders on the Frankfurt currency exchange estimated the Central Bank sold \$300m. to \$400m. on Tuesday and about \$80m. on Monday to keep the U.S. currency from rising above its parity.

Joint U.S.-China statement today on Kissinger trip

WASHINGTON (AP). — The White House announced yesterday that the U.S. and China will issue a joint communique today stemming from presidential adviser Henry Kissinger's recent visit to Peking.

But officials would give no clue on what it would say.

The White House said the communique would be issued at 16.00 GMT today.

Deputy press secretary Gerald Warren said President Nixon held a series of meetings yesterday with Dr. Kissinger, who returned on Tuesday from an 11-day journey to Hanoi, Peking and Tokyo.

Nixon called Democratic and Republican leaders from Congress to an 8:30 breakfast this morning to discuss the communique.

Kissinger will be on hand to brief the legislators, Warren said, and Secretary of State William Rogers also will take part.

Warren said Kissinger would hold a news conference later to discuss the document.

MINISTRY OF JUSTICE THE AUDITORS COUNCIL

Notice Concerning Examinations Schedule, Spring 1973

Notice is hereby given that the examinations of the Auditors Council for the Spring 1973 session will be held on the following dates:

Subject	Date
Bookkeeping	(28 Adar Bet 5733) 2 April 1973
Accounting I	(29 Adar Bet 5733) 3 April 1973
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Commercial Arithmetic	(7 Nisan 5733) 6 April 1973
Introduction to Economics. The Israeli Economy	(7 Nisan 5733) 9 April 1973
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Applicants wishing to sit for the above examinations should forward completed application forms to the Secretariat of the Council, P.O.B. 635, Jerusalem. Application forms may be obtained at the above address and at the office of the Administrator General, 39 Rehov Nahlat Binyamin, Tel Aviv; Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Tel Aviv University; Bar Ilan University; and Haifa University.

Applications to sit for the Intermediate Examinations and the Final Examinations Part I must arrive at the Secretariat of the Council, P.O.B. 635, Jerusalem, or before March 31, 1973 (17 Adar Bet 5733); applications to sit for the Final Examinations Part II must arrive on or before April 29, 1973 (18 Nisan 5733).

Information concerning the time and place of the examinations will be sent to all candidates, together with the written authorization to sit for the examinations.

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Five hurt as quake rocks S. California

LOS ANGELES (AP). — A fairly strong earthquake shook Southern California early yesterday, damaging buildings near its centre in the coastal town of Oxnard and shattering windows and causing skyscrapers to sway 30 kms. south in downtown Los Angeles.

Five persons were reported to have sustained minor injuries in the Oxnard area. One man was injured when he fell leaving a church and another was hit by flying glass, authorities said. The quake also started fires in the Oxnard area.

There were no reports of injuries or heavy damage in other areas. Services such as electricity, gas, water and telephone were not disrupted. Thousands of residents were joined awake by the quake and police and fire stations reported receiving calls from frightened people.

The quake was rated at 5.5 on the Richter scale by the seismological laboratory of the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. A major quake is rated at 6 or more.

Oxnard police said plate glass windows along "miles of the business district" were shattered and the roof of one business building partially caved in. Bricks were knocked loose from several buildings. The city's main street was cordoned off by police.

The quake came a little more than two years after the February 9, 1971, quake that hit the San Fernando Valley suburban area of Los Angeles, killing 64 persons, injuring more than 1,000 and causing damage estimated at \$100,000,000. That quake was rated at 6.6 on the Richter scale.

The latest quake, which occurred at 6:46 a.m., was reported to have been centred in the Santa Barbara channel off Oxnard.

The tremor was felt as a rolling motion in most areas from Arroyo Grande to the north to San Diego on the south.

LIONS. — Britain has started creating its latest export — lions for Africa. The first shipment of the British-born beasts were packed away yesterday at Windsor Safari Park for shipment to Johannesburg. The park owner said the lions were needed because of a shortage in African reserves.

U.S.S.R. dancer: mother-in-law bars emigration

MOSCOW (AP). — Ballet dancer Valery Panov has complained that he is being prevented from emigrating to Israel because of objections from his mother-in-law.

Panov was rated one of the Soviet Union's most gifted character dancers until his dismissal from the Kirov ballet company last year for saying he wanted to live in Israel. His wife, who is not Jewish, was also expelled from the company for wishing to leave with her husband.

In a letter to the Leningrad prosecutor, Panov asked that the passport office be made to comply with "Soviet legality." The letter was made available to some Western correspondents on Tuesday by friends of the dancer.

In his letter, Panov said the Soviet passport authority refused to accept his application because his mother-in-law opposed the move. Angered at the hoped-for move, the mother-in-law "several times made attempts on the life of her daughter," Panov wrote.

Third soldier killed in Belfast

BELFAST (UPI). — A soldier killed a British soldier with a snip shot in Belfast yesterday while sentry guarded a group of civil workers.

He was the third soldier killed just over 12 hours. Gunmen ambushed an army patrol in Roman Catholic Lower Falls Road on Tuesday night, killing two members of the Coldstream Guards and wounding a third and an eight-year-old boy.

The army said the soldier guarding a working party installed electric lines to an army post was the sniper's shot cut him down. He was dead before he could be taken to hospital.

Two civilians were slightly injured by flying glass yesterday when gunmen held up a Catholic pub in East Belfast, forcing staff and customers to flee on foot and tossed a bomb into the building.

Probation for woman guilty of mercy killing of mother

LEEWARDEN, Holland (Reuters). — A court yesterday sentenced a woman doctor to a week's suspended imprisonment and a year's probation for the "mercy" killing of her sick 78-year-old mother.

Handing down the mild sentence, the Leeuwarden district court said it had taken into consideration that broad sections of the Dutch medical profession no longer accepted that a patient's life should under all circumstances be prolonged to the bitter end.

In finding the doctor guilty, the president of the court, Cornelis Veder, said he was convinced that the daughter had acted from a deep, personal emotion, "which as such deserves the greatest respect."

Maximum sentence for euthanasia in Holland is two years' imprisonment.

The doctor, Geertrude Postma-van Boven 45, whose husband is also a doctor, told the court that in 1971 she injected 200 milligrams of morphine,

a fatal dose, at the urgent request of her mother, Margine Grevelink who was partly paralysed.

The mother died within a few minutes.

Kidnapped Argentine businessman freed

BUEENOS AIRES (UPI). — Businessmen yesterday released Norma Lee, president of a soft drink bottling company, after holding her captive for two weeks, police said.

Lee, an Argentine of English descent, was kidnapped on February 7 by a leftist group calling the Argentine Liberation Force.

Family sources said Lee, 33, was safely at home yesterday, but she refused to say whether or not ransom was paid. A communique released to local newspapers said large ransom was paid, but did not give the sum.



Hafez Ismail, Egyptian President Sadat's envoy, left, shown with Prime Minister Edward Heath in London on Tuesday during his meeting at No. 10 Downing Street. (AP radiophoto)

Ismail talks to French envoy

LONDON (Reuters). — Special Egyptian envoy Hafez Ismail had a general discussion on Middle East developments yesterday with the French Ambassador here Mr. Jacques Beaumarchais, French sources said.

The sources added that the ambassador called at the Egyptian Embassy to meet Mr. Ismail, who on Tuesday discussed prospects for a settlement of the Arab-Israeli dispute with British Prime Minister Edward Heath and Foreign Secretary Sir Alec Douglas-Home.

An Egyptian embassy spokesman yesterday said that Mr. Ismail would leave London for talks with President Nixon's administration.

This was followed by a closing banquet and distribution of prizes.

Mr. Ismail, President Sadat's national security adviser, visited Israel earlier this month for talks with Soviet leaders.

Students again clash with Cairo police

CAIRO (AP). — A five-day truce between steel-helmeted riot police and Cairo University students ended abruptly yesterday as the two groups clashed once more when police stopped students trying to march in the middle of the city.

Paving blocks were hurled at police who dispersed the students with gas.

The students, who clashed 5 days last week with police, released more than 140 students and others arrested before January 3, and an unannounced number since then.

Egypt's 250,000 university high school students were given extra two weeks off — a total one month — after bloody clashes with police in January.

Students and faculty members have demanded quick release of persons held more than six weeks without charge following the January arrests.

Meanwhile, the Egyptian student federation has rejected Israeli student federation's appeal for bilateral dialogue and the state of no-war, no-peace in the Middle East, it was reported yesterday.

A statement by the Egyptian student federation said the group were planning to send their appeal through the Kenyan student union, according to press reports here.

In their appeal, the Israelis were trying to express support for Egyptian student movement in Cairo prompted earlier unrest in Cairo.

"The Israeli student more is a cheap attempt and part of an enemy psychological warfare plan against Egypt," the statement said. It urged all Egyptian students to rally behind the "patriotic leadership and foil the enemy's against Egypt."

The Egyptian student federation also sent President Anwar Sadat a message on the occasion of the international student day voicing support to his leadership, according to press reports.

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British Strike Command Phantom jet (nearest) homes in on Soviet Bear aircraft over the North Sea off the Scottish coast on Tuesday, according to the British Ministry of Defence which released this photo. It said, "Soviet aircraft often probe Britain's air defences and are intercepted by the RAF. This time the radio controller was alerted at RAF Bickham and the Phantom came from 48 Squadron, RAF Leuchars." (AP radio photo)

Concern over Soviet power

British announce record £3,300 m. defence budget

LONDON — Britain announced a "high £3,300m. defence budget today to help meet what it describes as an upsurge in Soviet attack capabilities. The government statement said troops would remain in Ireland "for so long as required." The announcement urged the U.S. and other Nato members to make reductions in their military manpower or arsenals unless the Soviet Union institutes similar cuts.

"Only negotiation from strength is likely to produce equitable agreements," the statement said. "There must therefore be no unilateral reduction in defence capabilities in the West."

It said the Russians built 90 additional underground firing sites for intercontinental ballistic missiles last year, bringing their ICBM arsenal to 1,500 missiles.

The Soviets also launched six nuclear missile-firing submarines during the year, boosting their fleet

London India House raid black December claims it was responsible

LONDON (UPI) — A group calling itself "Black December," yesterday claimed responsibility for the arson of the Indian High Commission building in downtown London by three young Pakistanis armed with toy pistols, knives and a sword.

The group, believing the pistols to be shot and killed two of the men and captured the third on Tuesday after they terrorized the office's employees.

In a telephone call to the London Press, a man who claimed to represent the group said the raid was the first of several to be launched in protest of the continued detention of 90,000 Pakistani prisoners of war captured in Bangladesh by India.

"This was our first action, but it will not be the last," he said. "We intend to make our targets Indian and Russian diplomats and their property."

He said the men who invaded the High Commission office had not meant to harm anyone and would have surrendered peacefully, but were arrested with their weapons.

The three young men, one of whom was only 15 years old, charged into the building and held the staff hostage until police marauders rushed into the building and opened fire.

Police said the two men killed, identified as Bashir Hussain, 18, and Mohammad Hanif, 19, were gunned down after they threatened to shoot the policemen with their Japanese-made toy pistols, which were almost exact reproductions of real revolvers.

Brian Connell, a clerk at the commission, said the three men burst into the building at opening time, tied up some employees and beat others with their sword and toy pistols.

In the confusion, one of the employees crashed through a plate glass window to freedom and raised the alarm. Within five minutes armed policemen rushed the building, and killed two of the men, aged about 18 and 20 years old. The 15-year-old boy ran outside and was tackled by other officers.

A police spokesman said the police were aware of Black December, a title similar to the Palestinian terrorist Black September group.

The deaths of two Pakistanis brought demands yesterday for a ban on imports of Japanese-made imitation firearms.

In the House of Commons, Labourite Edward Lyons called for a ban on imports of replica guns. His suggestion won general support in the House.

These replicas, selling for £15 each, are indistinguishable from the real thing, even at a distance of two metres, according to one gun-very expert.

They are precision made to give exactly the feel and weight of the originals, which range from small handguns to gangster-type weapons like the Thompson machinegun.

Two L-bombs explode in Italy

ROME (AP) — Two different explosive letters, addressed to a biplane minister and a leading Italian movie actress, both exploded yesterday injuring his secretary and her sister.

One of the letters was addressed to Silvio Gava, Christian Democrat Minister without Portfolio. His secretary Lorenzini, 31, opened the letter and an explosion suffered burns on her right hand.

The other letter was addressed to actress Maria Angela Melato, 18-year-old Italian star. Her 18-year-old sister, Anna, opened the letter. Maria Angela was absent. The letter blew up and Miss Anna also suffered slight burns on her face.

No other details were immediately available.

Frescoes burnt in Greek monastery fire

GENEVA (Reuters) — Priceless frescoes in three chapels were destroyed in a dawn fire yesterday at a 1,000-year-old Greek monastery on Mount Athos.

The blaze razed the monastery's old and main reception hall as well as three chapels in one wing. The monastery is one of 20 in the 150-year-old community of Mount Athos.

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Turkish military intervene Demand made for law on 'honest' elections

ANKARA (Reuters) — Turkey's military leaders intervened again today in the country's political life, demanding new laws to ensure general elections.

A statement from the Supreme Council, which includes top-ranking officers, criticized the behavior of some politicians, saying they had no sense of responsibility.

It specifically criticized former Prime Minister Demirel, saying he had a "peculiar behaviour" and did not accept an invitation to hold talks with military leaders in the current situation.

Demirel, leader of the majority party, was forced to resign as Premier in March 1977. The generals threatened to overthrow him unless the government was formed by a coalition of the military and the Justice party (Mr. Demirel).

Since then Turkey has been ruled by a series of coalition governments.

The Supreme Command Council's statement, broadcast on Turkish radio, said that last week military leaders held a series of talks with political party chiefs aimed at finding a way out of the current crisis situation.

The talks other main aims had been:

- The implementation of reforms demanded by the military in March 1977.
- An end to direct and indirect attacks on the armed forces.
- Changes in the election law to reflect the national will and ensure honest elections.

The statement added the talks had been held in a cordial atmosphere and all political leaders had participated sincerely excluding the President of the Justice party (Mr. Demirel).

Nixon predicts end to rising food prices

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — President Nixon gave Americans yesterday a glowing report on the state of the U.S. economy and pledged that the one dark spot — rapidly rising food prices — would change for the better in the second half of 1978.

"Your dollars will go further at your local shop or supermarket," Mr. Nixon said in a radio speech. He acknowledged that sharply increasing food costs would continue to rise for several months because demand was outstripping supply.

But he said that measures taken to increase supply, including the easing of meat import quotas, would bring relief to the American housewife without damaging the prosperity of farmers.

Mr. Nixon's optimistic forecast was that there was a good chance to reduce the inflation rate, now running at about three per cent, to 2½ per cent or less by the end of the year.

The President linked his domestic economic moves with his announced intention to seek new legislation from Congress so he can strengthen the U.S. bargaining position in projected trade negotiations with the enlarged European Common Market and Japan.

He said the recent devaluation of

the dollar by 10 per cent would reduce the serious U.S. trade deficit, make American goods more competitive abroad, and protect jobs at home.

But the President, who is seeking legislation to raise American trade barriers as well as lower them, declared that American products must get a fairer share in world trade.

Trade and investment barriers must be reduced everywhere, but they cannot decline for one country and remain high for the other, Mr. Nixon said.

He refused to retreat in his battle with Congress for reduced government spending and abandon his plans to cut many of the social welfare programmes passed during the "New Deal" administration of Franklin Roosevelt and the "Great Society" of Lyndon Johnson.

Sailor girl found pregnant aboard warship

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The captain of the first U.S. Navy ship to carry women sailors said too much publicity resulted when one of the girls became pregnant.

"You can't have 60 young, healthy females and not have that (pregnancy) happen occasionally," said Thomas Rodgers, 42, commander of the USS Scaup, a woman crew member was removed from his ship after announcing she was pregnant.

"I don't know why everyone got so excited," Rodgers said. "People are people. It's no different than if she were working in an office."

The woman reportedly became pregnant before she boarded the ship, but Rodgers said: "I'm sure this sort of thing will happen again."

He said women crew members are working out better than he'd expected. "There just isn't that constant flow of publicity," he said.

Pharaonic temple found in Egypt

CAIRO (Reuters) — Remains of a Pharaonic temple have been discovered in the Beni Suef region of Upper Egypt, it was reported here yesterday.

Archaeologists were examining the remains to specify the Pharaoh who built the temple. A 2,500-year-old granite sarcophagus was also discovered nearby, reports said.



Indonesian President Suharto and Prime Minister Gough Whitlam exchange pleasantries when the Australian leader arrived in Jakarta on Tuesday to start a three day official visit. (AP radio photo)

Police question three on stolen Petain coffin

PARIS (Reuters) — Police yesterday were questioning three people, including a former parliamentarian, in connection with the theft of the coffin of World War II collaborator leader Marshal Philippe Petain — a crime which the government denounced as "particularly odious."

The denunciation yesterday was the government's first comment on the graveyard snatching of Petain's body two days ago.

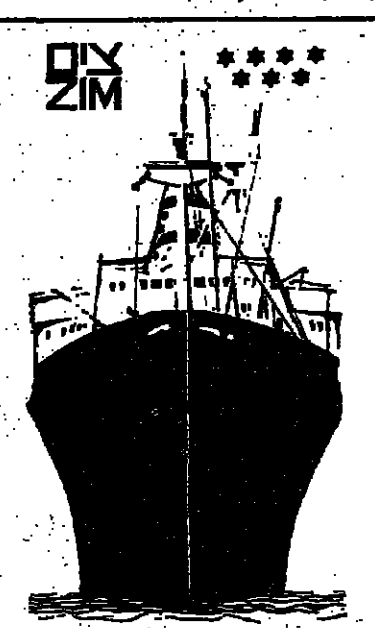
Police said the three people were being interrogated as "witnesses" and were not considered under arrest.

The former deputy was identified as Francois Boux de Casson from the Vendee region of Western France. The Be d'Yeu, where Marshal Petain was buried, is 20 kms. off the Vendee coast.

Police, meanwhile, guarded France's major military monuments to prevent any attempt to parade the stolen body in triumph yesterday, the 57th anniversary of the World War I Battle of Verdun which made Petain a hero.

Government spokesman Jean-Philippe Lecat said after a cabinet meeting: "Apart from any historical or political problem, the French nation is faced with an action which is morally particularly odious." He gave no indication of where President Georges Pompidou plans to send the Marshal's body once it is found. It will be a tough political decision, just when the French election campaign is approaching its climax.

COLLISION — Two Danish air force F-100 Super-Sabre jet interceptors yesterday collided at high altitude and one crashed into the sea south of Copenhagen, but its crew of two catapulted and were picked up from the sea by helicopters.



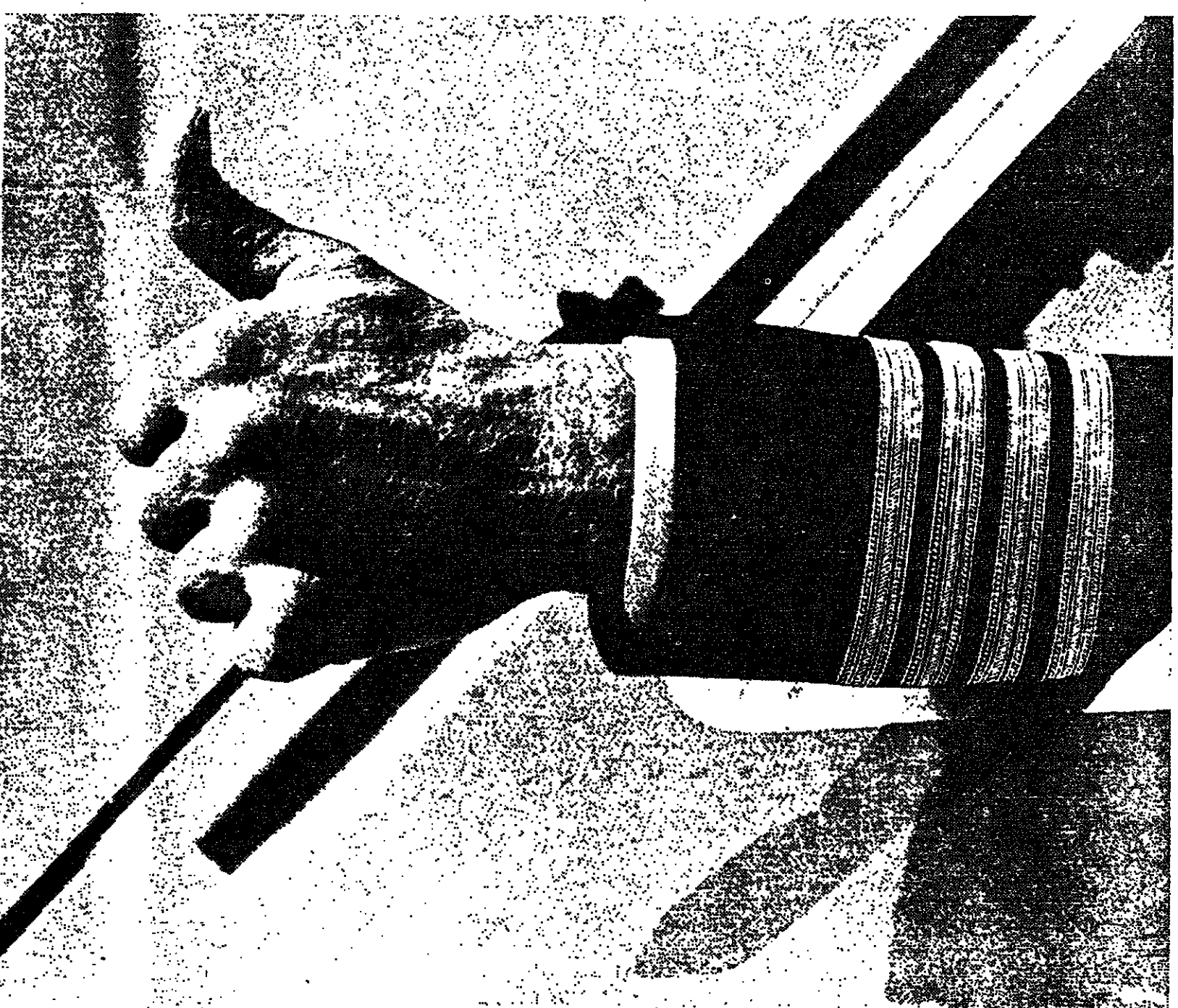
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